

Agency Activity Inventory
by Agency
Appropriation Period: FY 2007-08

Agency: H73 - Vocational Rehabilitation

Functional Group: Health

838 Administration

The performance of administrative functions to manage the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program. Activities include support activities such as training and staff development, human resources, financial management, budgeting, procurement, and information systems.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$7,166,931	\$1,630,289	\$5,524,636	\$0	\$0	\$12,006	73.00

Expected Results:

In keeping with the agency mission, SCVRD will place individuals with disabilities into competitive employment at a rate that meets or exceeds the federally mandated required performance level of 72.6%. SCVRD's performance level for last fiscal year was 99.43%. SCVRD will maintain or increase the rate of return from the previous year. We expect to successfully rehabilitate at least 8,527 individuals.

Outcome Measures:

Each of the 13 Administrative Departments work to facilitate the Area Offices' efforts to meet successful rehabilitation goals. The Departments also have Program Integrity Measures which are comprised of productivity measures, compliance and customer service surveys scores.

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839 Direct Client Services

VR employees provide assessment, counseling, job readiness training, guidance and placement services to enable eligible South Carolinians to prepare for, achieve and maintain competitive employment. There is a great economic growth benefit from successful rehabilitations. Through SCVRD's client service program, successfully employed customers become taxpaying members of the workforce rather than relying on Social Security disability benefits, Medicaid and other public assistance. They repay the cost of their rehabilitation (through taxes) in an average of 5.4 years. While the FTE's in this activity seems large, it is because this activity is a statewide effort affecting each client (we served 43,827 clients last year). The services offered in this one activity reach throughout the state by a network of offices and training centers, all providing the complete array of services offered by the department geared toward the ultimate successful employment of the client. Statutory authority is found at Chapter 31, Section 43-31-60.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$43,296,488	\$10,392,899	\$31,244,219	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$159,370	744.91

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Outcome Measures:

Evaluation Standards and Performance Indicators for the public VR program used to evaluate SCVRD's performance. Cost Benefit Analysis information.

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To assist individuals in overcoming the unique barriers they experience, the agency offers a variety of purchased goods and services, including academic training, assistive technology, mobility/transportation, and communication services or devices. Statutory authority is found at Chapter 31, Section 43-31-60.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$12,003,572	\$1,570,789	\$10,432,783	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

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Agency: H73 - Vocational Rehabilitation**Functional Group:** Health**841 In-Service Training**

The focus of the In-Service Training project is the development of staff knowledge and skills which assure compliance with Federal regulations, enhance productivity, and meet the standards of exceptional customer service. The funds for this activity are used to enhance the knowledge of staff relative to knowledge of specific disabilities and the provision of rehabilitation

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services to the agency as a whole. The department is using this predominately federally funded program which allows the agency to train its staff to meet federal mandates, again working toward the ultimate goal of all activities which is to contribute to the successful employment of our clients. No FTE's are associated with this program since most of the funds are used for travel, tuition, etc relative to specific training. Most of the trainers in this activity are contracted (non-employees) or we use various existing employees who have expertise in the specific training being offered.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$262,000	\$28,000	\$234,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

Expected Results:

Training project entails training on 14 identified objectives included in the Basic Training Grant and three objectives in the Quality Award Grant which include: recruitment and retention, outreach to historically black colleges, cultural diversity, leadership skills, customer service, teambuilding, employment outcomes, counseling skills, transition, supported employment, assistive technology, physical and mental impairments, and the requirements of the Federal mandated CSPD (Comprehensive System for Personnel Development).

Outcome Measures:

The 14 identified Basic Grant objectives and the three Quality Award objectives are completed and outlined in an annual report to the Grantor.

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842 Supported Employment

Services are designed to benefit people with the most significant disabilities, such as spinal cord injury, brain injury and mental illness, for whom competitive employment has not traditionally occurred.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$517,498	\$0	\$517,498	\$0	\$0	\$0	15.00

Expected Results:

600 individuals will receive Supported Employment services and contribute to the 8,527 individuals that are successfully rehabilitated. (See Direct Client Services activity 839.)

Outcome Measures:

Successful employment outcomes for those cases receiving Title VI, Part B supported employment services.

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843 Independent Living

This program is a formula grant program providing funds to support activities related to the provision of Independent Living (IL) services to individuals with significant disabilities. Core services include information and referral, skill training, and peer counseling.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$350,000	\$35,000	\$315,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

Expected Results:

Staff will support annual Pathways to Independence Conference, provide technical assistance to Centers for IL (CIL) Network, support a minimum of four in-depth trainings, provide funding for CIL's providing five core IL services, and provide funds to Commission for the Blind IL skill training.

Outcome Measures:

Outcome measures are 100% completion of objectives (expected results).

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844 Workshop Contracts

Workshops Contracts facilitates the Training Center Production activities through the use of funds directly related to specific workshop contracts. These funds are used to manage these contracts with temporary staff such as drivers and production assistants.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$1,521,007	\$0	\$1,130,325	\$0	\$0	\$390,682	9.00

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Agency: H73 - Vocational Rehabilitation**Functional Group:** Health**845 SSA Program**

SCVRD receives rehabilitation cost reimbursement from the Social Security Administration whenever individuals who receive SSDI/SSI benefits return to gainful employment because of services provided by the Department.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	3.00

Expected Results:

Maximize reimbursements from the Social Security Administration for individuals returned to gainful employment.

Outcome Measures:

Number of claims submitted

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In cooperation with the Social Security Administration, this project helps educate South Carolina residents with disabilities who choose to work make the transition from disability benefits to employment and self-support. "SSI" refers to Supplemental Security Income. "SSDI" refers to Social Security Disability Income. Both are administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA), and only individuals who have a disability and meet medical criteria qualify for benefits under the program. "WIPA" is an acronym for Work Incentives, Planning and Assistance project, a grant program provided by the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999. The Vocational Rehabilitation Department received a grant of \$795,000 over a three-year period to serve 30 counties.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$352,578	\$18,500	\$334,078	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

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Expected Results:

Individuals going back to work is the primary benefit. There is economic growth benefit through transition from reliance on disability benefits to self-sufficiency through employment.

Outcome Measures:

Each grant employee will participate in outreach events that will reach 300 SSI/SSDI beneficiaries per month and serve at least 25 referrals per month by providing direct benefits planning regarding SSA work incentives.

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847 Extended Rehabilitation

Extended Rehabilitation Services (ERS) are designed for individuals who require additional time and support in obtaining their rehabilitation outcome/goal.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

Expected Results:

To continue to provide rehabilitation services moving participants closer to job readiness.

Outcome Measures:

To reduce the number of ERS participants.

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848 Miscellaneous Grants

These grants range in scope from improving adult literacy to performing evaluations for dislocated workers. All are designed to augment the services SCVRD provides and facilitate the employment of South Carolinians.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$419,131	\$0	\$190,000	\$0	\$0	\$229,131	0.00

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Expected Results:

Assist individuals with tools and means to enable them to achieve competitive employment.

Outcome Measures:

Data is collected from each grant to measure success; measures consist of improving literacy to number of evaluations performed with the long-term goal of increasing employment opportunities.

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849 Workshop Production

More than 450 businesses and industries statewide have outsource agreements with SCVRD's 24 work training centers. Clients perform the tasks necessary to complete the contract work, they build the job skills and work endurance they need to compete in the workplace. They also learn the interactive skills required to work with supervision and get along with others on the job. In return, South Carolina's business community receives quality work at reasonable prices. Statutory authority is found at Chapter 31, Section 43-31-60.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$17,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000,000	0.00

Expected Results:

Expected results are to move clients toward gainful employment by providing them with opportunities to develop basic work skills in a closely managed environment. A network of community sources allow us to work with our partners in business to give varied experience to clients again offering a multitude of services geared toward the ultimate gainful employment of the client.

Outcome Measures:

Number of clients who receive training center services and become competitively employed. Last year, 6,257 clients were served.

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850 Disability Determination Services

Disability Determination Services (DDS) evaluates claims for disability benefits filed under provisions of the Social Security Act and additional claims filed under the provisions of the South Carolina Retirement System, the Homestead Exemption Act and Title XIX Medicare Claims for SC Dept of HHS.

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\$37,938,400	\$0	\$35,044,900	\$0	\$0	\$2,893,500	322.36

Expected Results:

Social Security regulations under which the DDS programs operate contain exacting standards for quality, timeliness and cost-effectiveness. South Carolina has maintained a high level of proficiency in all measurements of performance. This program will make disability determinations on over 68,000 claims per year.

Outcome Measures:

The DDS program goals are to adjudicate the disability claims as effectively and efficiently as possible and achieve performance measures that compare favorably to the regional (R) or national (N) average in the areas of productivity, cost per case \$481.81 vs. \$520.99 (N), medical cost per case \$112.01 vs. 125.30 (R) and \$129.84 (N), claim processing time of 71.9 days or less 78 (R) and 83.5 (N), and documentation accuracy rate of greater than 96.8% vs. 96.0% (N).

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1516 Residential Substance Abuse Vocational Counseling Centers Case Services, Purchased

Services purchased in support of the two vocationally oriented counseling facilities, including transportation to and from the facility if necessary. Authority: PL 102-569(1992); 103-73(1993); 105-220(1998) Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$18,602	\$3,967	\$14,635	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00

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Outcome Measures:

The rehabilitation rate of clients served

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1517 Residential Substance Abuse Vocational Counseling Centers

Clients are admitted to the two vocationally oriented counseling centers where VR employees provide assessment, counseling, guidance and treatment services to enable eligible South Carolinians to prepare for, achieve and maintain competitive employment. There is a great economic growth benefit from successful rehabilitations. Through SCVRD's client service program, successfully employed customers become taxpaying members of the workforce rather than relying on Social Security disability benefits, Medicaid and other public assistance. They repay the cost of their rehabilitation (through taxes) in an average of 5.4 years. Authority: PL 102-569(1992); 103-73(1993); 105-220(1998) Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$2,422,309	\$537,540	\$1,881,145	\$0	\$0	\$3,624	34.00

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AGENCY TOTALS

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TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS	TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	TOTAL OTHER FUNDS
\$125,271,516	\$14,219,984	\$88,863,219	\$20,688,313
	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	TOTAL FTEs
	\$0	\$1,500,000	1,201.27